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**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.**

**NOTICE**

**O**N and after Today the Title of  
the "TAKSING" Contract will be changed  
to the "MITSUBISHI" OILBURY.  
R. H. H. TRIPP  
Agent.

1st January, 1889. 124

**NOTICE.**

**T**HE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY  
OF MR. WILLIAM LANG in our Firm  
Hongkong, China and Japan, CEASED ON  
31st December 1888.

**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.**

1st January, 1889. 124

**NOTICE.**

**T**HE Business formerly carried by this Under-  
signed as **MILLS & STOK BROKERS**  
is cleared by Mutual consent.

All affairs connected with above Business  
will be liquidated by Mr. C. C. COHEN &  
**COHEN & GUBBEY.**

Hongkong, 31st December, 1888. 124

**NOTICE**

**I**HAVE This Day Established myself as a  
**BILL, STOCK, AND GENERAL**  
**BROKER.**

A. S. COHEN.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1889. [243]

NOTICE.

I HAVE THIS DAY Established myself as  
SHARE & GENERAL BROKER,  
R. A. GUDLEY,  
10, Queen's Road.  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1-89 [243]

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

I HAVE THIS DAY REMOVED to No. 41,  
Wyndham Street, where I shall continue  
to give lessons in Music. All orders from private parties promptly attended to.

HONGKONG, 31st December, 1888. [242]

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"NINGPO."

Captain F. Schulz, will be despatched for the  
above Port to-MORROW, the 2nd Jan/89  
at FOUR P.M. instead of as previously notified  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
J. C. SLEISSEN & Co.  
Hongkong, 31st December, 1888. [2423]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SANDAKAN, KUDAT, LABUAN,  
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"MERNON."

Captain Dorrif, will be despatched for the above  
to-MORROW, the 2nd Jan. at FOUR P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BAUTCHLEIGH & SWIRE, Agents,  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1-89. [2434]

FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK.

THE SUI CHEONG ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.  
The Company's Steamer

"CHOW PA"  
Captain F. W. Phillips, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 3rd of January, 1889, at Eight A.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
YUEN FAT HONG, General Managers,  
Hankow, 31st December, 1888. [2434]

FOR BANGKOK DIRECT.

THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.  
The Company's Steamer

"DEVAVONGSE"  
Captain P. H. Loff, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 3rd of Jan., 1889, at FOUR P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
YUEN FAT HONG, General Managers,  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1889. [2436]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW  
The Company's Steamship

"FORMOSA"  
Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 3rd January, 1889, at Daybreak.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS L. PHIAK & Co., General Managers,  
Hongkong, 31st December, 1888. [2434]

THE "BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT) AND  
YOKOHAMA.  
THE British Steamer.

"BENLA WERS,"  
Captain Webster, will be despatched as above  
on or about the 6th inst.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GILBE, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1899. 1243

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GRACKERS, &c., &c.  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,  
Hongkong, 18th December, 1889. 119

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TELEPHONE No. 12.

On the 24th Dec., Mrs. A. S. Watson, Hongkong, the wife of Dr. Watson, of Hongkong.

MARRIAGE.  
On the 24th Dec., at St. John's Cathedral, by the Rev. Dr. Hamilton, Garrison Chaplain, John Graham, Esq., Second Major, Northampton Regiment, and Miss Mary Graham, of Government House, England. A Scotch and a Scotch please copy.

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air of court intrigues, to which the youth may fall a victim, in which case civil war would in all probability follow. There is little to guide speculation as to what turn affairs may take, but it is well to note that the times are critical, with the possibility on the one hand of a rapid development of the insignificant resources of China, on the other the possibility of civil strife with its attendant anarchy. On the whole the probabilities lie, we are glad to think, with the former. A report has been published that the Emperor has selected as his chief counsellor his tutor, a man said to be violently opposed to all foreign innovations, particularly railways. However this may be, the railway has now gained a footing in the Middle Kingdom, the Kaiping railway having been extended to Tientsin, and a decree has been issued sanctioning its extension to Tangchow, that is, virtually, to Peking. A miniature railway has also been ordered for the Palace, and steam-launches have been placed on the lake in the Imperial pleasure grounds, showing the interest and curiosity excited in the Imperial family by the new means of communication. Meanwhile the work of telegraph extension has been steadily going on, and to this invention, at all events, no serious hostility seems to be entertained either by officials or populace. It would have given us much satisfaction to have been able to include amongst our enumeration of the events of the year the opening of steam communication to Chungking, on the Upper Yangtze, but obstacles have from time to time been placed in the way, and now that the Imperial assent has been obtained, it is coupled with the condition that rules for the avoidance of collisions between steamers and native craft must be arranged with the native authorities, a proceeding which will probably entail a further considerable delay, for the local officials are in no hurry to enter on the task of drawing up the rules.

Commercially the year has not been unprosperous for foreign merchants in China. The import of piece goods and metals shows a substantial increase, and although a good portion of the import remains in stock, business in foreign goods has on the whole been better than in 1877. The export of tea again shows a marked decline, but the deterioration in the quality seems to have been arrested; and the result of the earlier shipments was very satisfactory to foreign merchants, while in the latter part of the season there has been less complaint than in some times the case. Silk also shows a decline, but here again the market operations in the staple have not been unsatisfactory. The local Banking institution and the various Insurance Companies, marine and fire, are believed to have had a good year, notwithstanding the keen competition they have had to meet. Speaking of a nation so large as the Chinese it is difficult to generalise, but we think it may be said that with the exception of the district affected by the bursting of the Yellow River in September, 1877, and the province of Shantung, which has also suffered from floods, the year has been a good one; the crops having been the most satisfactory. The distress caused by the Yellow River disaster only reached its highest point during the year just passed, when the little that was sown from the overwhelming flood was exhausted and those who had been able to maintain themselves for a few months were reduced to the same destitution as those who lost their all in the first instance. The accounts received of the condition of the people represent it as truly pitiable, and the distress in Shantung is scarcely less.

In Hongkong the year has been one of continued progress. Both the foreign and Chinese population have largely increased, and the necessity for more building room becomes every day greater. The year 1889 has not, as was expected, witnessed the commencement of the Praya reclamation scheme, but before we have to write our next annual review it will probably be far advanced. So great has the pressure on European house accommodation, because that it was deemed necessary during the year to pass a European District Reservation Ordinance, by which the encroachment of Chinese property on the European district has been put a stop to. The sanitary condition of the colony has excited much attention during the year, and a valuable report on the subject was prepared by a Commission appointed to consider a petition received by the Government with reference to the prevalence of fever in the Western district. The attention of the public has been forcibly directed to questions of health by the open meetings of the Sanitary Board, which, if it has not done a great deal of work, has not been without its value as a factor in the education of public opinion. The new supply of water from Tiam will do much to improve the health of the colony, for the scarcity of water which has prevailed since the population many years ago outgrew the Pokfulam supply must be held responsible for a considerable share of the deterioration of the public health which the official returns of the last few years have disclosed. The Tiam works are now completed, and the laying of the street mains, now in progress, will shortly place the entire city in the enjoyment of an ample water supply. The sanitary less important question of drainage has also received consideration during the year, and a drainage scheme prepared by the Sanitary Engineer, endorsed by the Surveyor-General, and approved by the local Government has been sent home for submission to the judgment of experts, on whose verdict the approval of the Secretary of State will depend. The scheme has not escaped criticism, and an alternative scheme has been submitted by an engineer in private practice, but on the necessity of a radical reform of the existing drainage system all parties are entirely at one. The year has been marked by the completion of two other works of importance. The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's new Admiralty Dock took its first vessel in January, and although its first vessel in January, and although the work on it is still far from complete, it is now available whenever required. The Peak Tramway was opened in May, and has since enjoyed unintercepted success, and has since enjoyed unintercepted success, and has since enjoyed unintercepted success.

By its means the enjoyment of the pure air of the Peak District is rendered possible to all.

made with the Chinese Government, for the erection of lighthouses on Gap Rock and Waglan Island, each of which will prove of immense advantage to shipping entering the port. The public revenue shows a healthy growth and no apprehension on financial grounds need be entertained in entering on requisite public works. With the exception of frequent fires the colony has escaped any great disaster, but a severe typhoon approached very near in September, and caused considerable damage to shipping in the China Sea. In official circles the colony has to regret the loss of Sir George Phillips, who was compelled to resign his appointment owing to ill health. General gratification was felt when it became known that the vacant appointment was to be conferred on the Hon. J. Russell, than whom no man better qualified to succeed the previous able incumbent of the office could have been found. The Hon. H. G. Thompson, after many years' faithful service, resigned the office of Harbour Master in March last, and has been succeeded by Commander Ruxley, R.N. In Naval and Military circles there have also been changes. Admiral Sir Nowell Salmon arrived to take over command of the China station in March, and three months later the new flag-ship Imperieuse arrived to replace the obsolete Audacious, which, however, we would gladly have seen retained for harbour defence. The close of the year has seen the arrival of a new Regiment, the Argyl and Sutherland Highlanders, and the first week of the new year will see the departure of our gallant friends the Northamptonshire Regiment, who will carry away with them the good wishes of the entire community, for no Regiment ever rendered itself more popular in the colony. To new comers and old friends alike to our readers generally, we cordially wish

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

The election of a Deputy for Cochin-China has been postponed till April.

Today being New Year's Day, there will be no issue of the Daily Press to-morrow.

The Russian corvette *Polina*, Commander Makarov, from Nagasaki 23rd December, arrived here yesterday.

There were 379 visitors to the City Hall Museum during the week ending 30th Dec., of whom 70 were Europeans.

The Agents (Messrs. Gibbs, Livingston & Co.) inform us that the steamer *Benbow* left Singapore on the 30th ultimo for this port.

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The British barque *Martha* was put up to auction at Shanghai on the 24th December, but has bought in as only £10,500 was bid, while the reserve price was £15,000.

A tea and meeting will be held at the Sailors' Home to-day, to take place at 8.30 p.m. The meeting will commence at 8 p.m., when the chair will be taken by the Right Rev. Bishop Jordan, D.D.

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It is said that a steamship line is shortly to be established between Manila and Japan.

The *Christ Justice*, Hon. J. Russell, O.M.G., returned from Shanghai by the P. & O. steamer *Peshawar* yesterday.

The *N. O. Daily News* has Mr. James H. Russell, who just returned from Japan, take up the post of Commissioner of Customs at Fuzumi.

A fatal accident occurred to a coolie in Chin-chow yesterday morning. He was on the top of a building in course of erection, when the poles gave way and he fell, impaling himself on a bamboo and afterwards falling to the earth. Death resulted a few minutes afterwards.

The Rev. W. Maiched, in a postscript to a letter to the *N. O. Daily News* on the Shanghai subject, says: "One of the most interesting things I have seen since I arrived in Shanghai is the closing of most of the bank-calls, and the constantly increasing demand in the interior for kerosene oil."

Sergeant Mann captured a boy yesterday who has been employed up to now by Dr. Noble and who is now charged with stealing gold leaf valued at \$400. The boy was taken last night from the *Christ Justice*, and on the morning of the 27th, when the Sergeant gave evidence to the effect that he had, on searching the person of the prisoner, discovered a duplicate key to Dr. Noble's safe. Mr. Gilbert appeared for the defence. The case was remanded.

The thieves who appropriated \$500 worth of clothing, the property of Mr. Abo, the elephant trainer, from Chialing's cart on the 27th, have been captured. The cart was yesterday awarded six months each with hard labour, at the Magistrate's Inspector Swanton brought up six witnesses who deposed to having seen the robbers under the cart. The cart was yesterday awarded six months each with hard labour, at the Magistrate's Inspector Swanton brought up six witnesses who deposed to having seen the robbers under the cart. The cart was yesterday awarded six months each with hard labour, at the Magistrate's Inspector Swanton brought up six witnesses who deposed to having seen the robbers under the cart.

The first drunk wearing the colours of the *Argyl and Sutherland Highlanders* was landed at the Central Station yesterday afternoon, in a very dilapidated condition. His kill was torn in shreds, while the sporran had departed altogether. After giving a blow to the Inspector on the head, he was taken to the hospital, where he was treated for his injuries.

A savage attack was made on two coolies in Bonham Road yesterday morning by a large party of Chinese. The coolies were severely injured, and one of them was killed. The Chinese were afterwards dispersed by the police, and the coolies were taken to the hospital for treatment.

An annual trading junk arrived in the harbour yesterday morning with three severely wounded men on board. The master of the junk reported that the men were injured by a large party of Chinese who had attacked the junk. The men were taken to the hospital for treatment.

Says the *Shanghai Courier* of the 18th December: "Competing steamers on the Ningpo line threaten to make matters lively during the winter months. The *Shanghai* and *Shanghai* are the two main lines, and the competition between them is very keen. The *Shanghai* is the more powerful of the two, and the *Shanghai* is the more powerful of the two."

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"as we have just said, it is not many years since our own Government intervened in that of Peking on behalf of the children of the great YAKU, or, it is to be supposed, of the great YAKU, that punishment of this character were repugnant to civilization. In a recent number of the *Nineteenth Century*, how-  
 ever, we find a suggestion, which, in all essentials, identical with the Chinese senti-  
 ments on this subject. JULIUS WESTERMA-  
 N, writing in the interests of *Homicide*, i. e.,  
 the rearing of healthy men and women,  
 writes: "To prevent the transmission of objection-  
 able moral characteristics, though only to a  
 limited extent. That habitual criminals  
 should be freely allowed to become fathers  
 of a new race is undoubtedly a grave social  
 mistake. Such persons should be prevented  
 from extending their numbers by being re-  
 quired to submit either to permanent im-  
 piment or to such medical operations as  
 will prevent further mischief. It is not  
 suggested," he adds, "for he feels that his  
 suggestion is hardly yet educated up  
 to full acquiescence in his views, "that  
 such measures should be resorted to  
 except in extreme cases, such as those of  
 criminals under sentence for five years  
 or longer) penal servitude." Similar treat-  
 ment, he thinks, might be advisable in cases  
 of confirmed habitual drunkards; and perhaps  
 may look forward to seeing a "medical  
 preventive" plank added shortly to the Pro-  
 tection platform of those Americans who  
 are going to make the States argument  
 of Congress. Two further arguments

**SANITATION.**

Lord DUFFERIN, before his departure from Calcutta, received an address from the corporation, in reply to which he made some interesting remarks on the sanitation of Eastern cities. "The sanitation of a great city," said His Lordship "is not a very popular undertaking; its processes are impeded by long established prejudices as well as by inveterate customs and habits; nor even are its benefits very readily recognised. It has great obstacles to contend with even in Europe, though now it is fortunately triumphing along the line." He, too, like Calcutta, is endeavouring to set its house in order from a sanitary point of view, and the late Viceroy's remarks may be taken as a local application. Here, as in Calcutta, there are long established prejudices and inveterate customs and habits to impede sanitation. But, says Lord DUFFERIN, "though it may be many a long year, or perhaps

that for them. He belonged to the religion that has the greatest numbers of adherents—Buddhism.

"But what about those alone—surroundings is (to be sure) would also a call with numbered sticks of fortune tellers. One has to pay only a trifle to have his future revealed to him. Is this not something the eternal metaphysics of Buddhism is not able to explain?"

"Diversity of conviction and faith exists in that small community. Wholesome looking pilgrims come from long distance fasting, to condignly ask the priest for the explanation of their fate. He does not care for it, enjoying himself inside a big, well-ventilated, living up to classical plays of the world, deciding which the saint had despaired."

"We only saw at Kait-tan two native priests, and a few monks, and a few laymen, and the crowd of the hotel of some was not shaved, he wore monk-clothes. We exchanged words and told him that we wished to examine the body to form an idea of the matter about it. So had some from the interior of the country. He said that he was not a priest, but was earnest in his conviction and politely replied that our opinion could not alter the truth that this is a manifestation of divine power."

"The priest, however, was not a native. The Taoists, too, are very few, and the Mohammedans, there are

knowledge. The *nil admirari* of Horace is  
 a virtue unapproachable to most people. It is the  
 result of a certain amount of knowledge, and of  
 unpopulations beliefs and divert the minds to the  
 wonders of scientific achievements.

Those who take interest in Folk Lore or in  
 the Science of Religions, and those who intend  
 to write about the religion of the future, will  
 profit by a stay at Kait-i and its vicinity.

ONE OF THE VISIONS.

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WHATE THEY ALL DID ON  
 XMAS DAY.

By "they" it will of course be seen at first  
 glance we mean the generality of humanity in  
 the Colony who, as the festive season comes round,  
 are fain to let their consciences go in some manner  
 either in a greater or more discreet way than  
 the ruling class and the virtuous population. We  
 know that "they" annually heaved the larger  
 portion of our citizens. We start, as a sort of  
 grim compensation to them for the utter absence  
 of any enjoyment in their midst, with the police

Kowloon by the defile at the back of the Association Range. Having crowned the heights on either side with infantry the enemy attempted to dislodge them from the defile, deploying to both flanks. The defence of a battery established on the rocky knoll in front, The H.K.Y.'s battery (père) was supposed to be part of a force of infantry and artillery ordered to attack and drive the enemy through the defile. It came to the action to the left of the Observatory, and is said to have cannonaded that section of the enemy's line on the lower ground to the left of the knoll. It covered the advance of the infantry on both sides, finally silencing the guns on both sides. It was ordered to retreat about 300 yards to the front to support the close, attack on the enemy's position. While in this position it received and repulses a counter attack from the enemy and then continues its fire from the knoll by the advance of the infantry. It then advanced to the captured position to fire on the enemy's line of retreat.

Two large flags were placed to represent the battery

number who have not put in an appearance will  
sorry they were absent. (Hear, hear). No  
noble business has kept some away; we have  
to go to the office, and I am not going  
to, but still I think that where there's a  
hero's a way. (Hear, hear). I heard of a case  
the other evening of where a Volunteer  
went to the office, and got a goodly  
and he said - "No, I am not busy. There's  
no rehearsal of 'Joan' to-night." I think  
a man can get away from business to attend  
rehearsal, he could, if he wanted, get away to  
the office, and he would be a hero. I have  
to go to the office to-day, as I said before; if  
I will, I think they would have found the  
way. I was rather disappointed when I called the  
made the other evening to find few attend, and  
I was disappointed. I was disappointed. I was  
six guns. With regard to your work to-day,  
I want say that I have been very much pleased,  
I think, that you will always show your-  
self as competent as you have been. I  
say, hear. Of course we made mis-  
takes, but it is only by taking advantage of  
occasions as these that we can  
out what they are and correct them.  
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Stall for the sale of fancy work, etc.—Mrs. Mulmurs, Mrs. Ford, Miss Crowe, Miss Moros as Haezland, Miss Chalmers.

Flower Stall—Mrs. Ferbus, Mrs. Huntington and the Misses Hancock, Mrs. G. Coxon, Mrs. Hartigan, and Miss E. Cameron.

Toy and Fancy Goods stall—Mrs. Jameson, Misses Lammner, Misses Edgar, Miss Knoke, Mrs. Cooke, Miss Cole.

Cigars and Stationery stall—Mrs. Manson, as Withers, Miss Hopkins.

Dr. De Vaux, who presided for some time at the evening at the refreshment stall, and to do an excellent business during the time, as he dispensed the cup that cheers from around her attentive counter, obtained most of the goods that adorn the fancy stalls from Chapman, and the collection comprises a large number of the latest and most handsome articles procurable. Exquisitely worked cushions, fans, articles of China and Japan were numerous, allippers, pictures, overshoes.

